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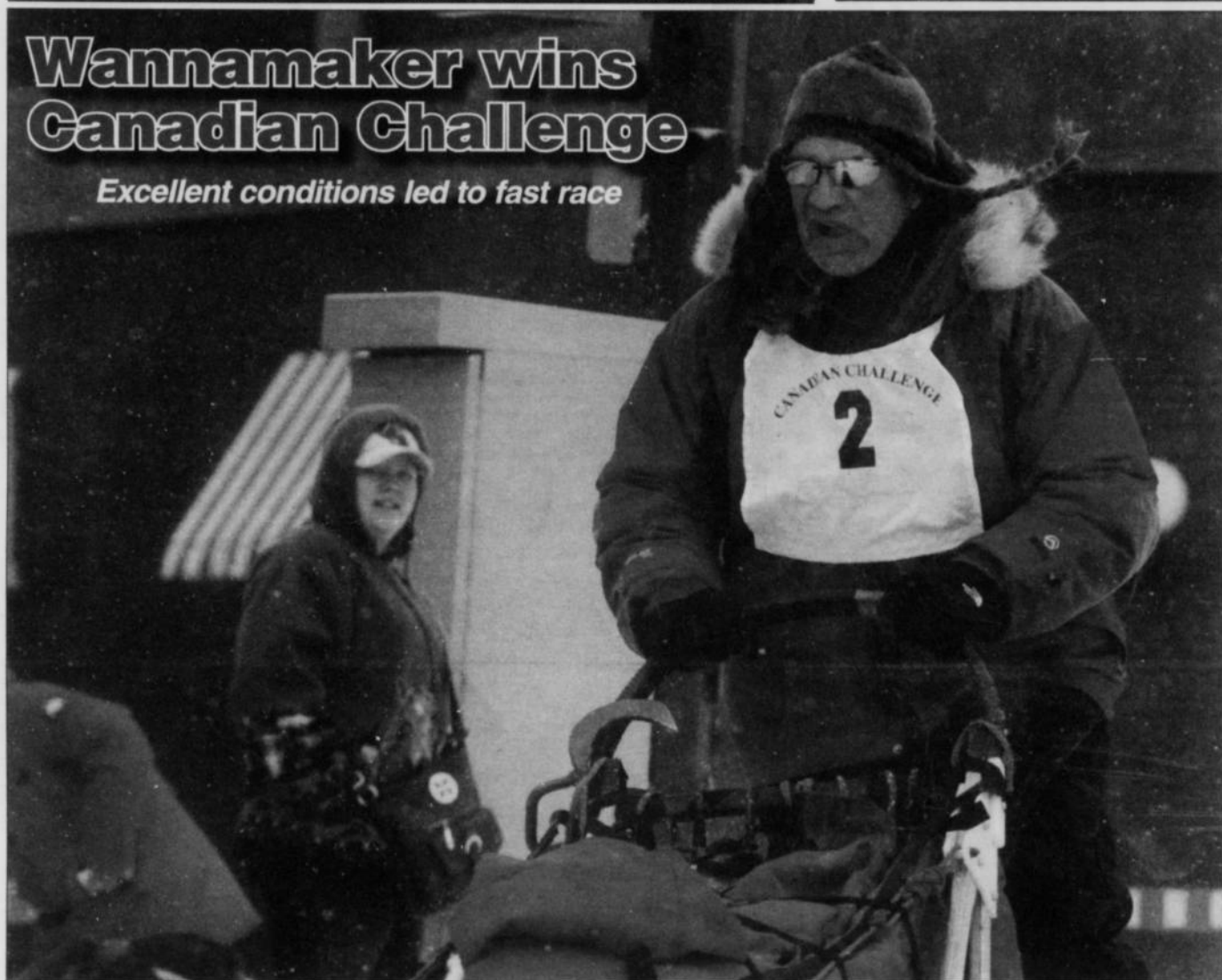
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## Wannamaker wins Canadian Challenge

*Excellent conditions led to fast race*



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Rick Wannamaker made a few strategic decisions during the Canadian Challenge that allowed him to win this year's race.

**BY PAUL FREY**  
*MVP Staff*

Local musher Rick Wannamaker won the Canadian Challenge International Sled Dog Race that took place from Feb. 24 to 28 in Saskatchewan.

The race was a 541-kilometre (336-mile) trek from Prince Albert north to La Ronge, and then north to Grandmother's Bay before looping back to La Ronge. This was Wannamaker's third win at the race in seven attempts.

Wannamaker said unlike past years where warm weather and a sticky track hampered the dogs, this year's event was excellent, with conditions

sometimes reaching a cool -30 C. He said the trail was in excellent condition.

"The race was really good, the weather was good. It was a fast race this year, very fast," he said.

Wannamaker competed in the 12-dog race with nine other competitors, five who finished the race. Wannamaker crossed the finish line with seven dogs pulling his sled.

"I started to drop dogs at La Ronge. It was cool, but the moisture level was high and they coughed a little bit, so as soon as that happens, we drop them (for health reasons)," he said.

A couple of other dogs had shoulder injuries, so those dogs were taken off

the trail and rested as well.

As the race wound down, Wannamaker made a strategic decision.

He had a two-hour lead for much of the race until he got to within 112 kilometres of the finish line. He then rested his dogs for two hours, while his nearest competitor, Jerry Walker, kept racing.

When Wannamaker started up again, his lead had shrunk to about 10 minutes, but because he rested and Walker didn't, Wannamaker's dogs had renewed energy that propelled them to a mandatory five-hour rest station 32 kilometres closer to the finish line.

"When I let him catch me, that's not always bad, because he's running and

he's not quitting and he's chasing me while I just stole two hours rest. When I took off (after the two-hour rest) that made them like brand new dogs," Wannamaker said.

Once he started on the last 32 kilometres, Wannamaker said Walker's team got to within about 1.6 kilometres of Wannamaker. Wannamaker estimated he crossed the finish line about 30 minutes ahead of Walker.

"A lot of people wouldn't give up a two-hour lead, but I thought the extra rest would do me more good than just going on. I didn't really want to slow down and ... that two-hour rest I'm pretty sure is why I won the race," he said.



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# Telus presents funds to library

BY PAUL FREY  
MVP Staff

The Didsbury Municipal Library received \$16,100 from Telus last week to upgrade technology at the library.

The funds resulted from Telus contributing \$25 from each new subscription the company received during a one-year period ending in November 2014. The year-long "TV for gold" campaign by the company coincided with Telus installing new, state-of-the-art fibre optic cable throughout the community.

Didsbury is among four per cent of communities throughout North America that have fibre optic lines capable of handling data traffic at 100 megabits per second.

"Didsbury can count itself among a select group of communities that now has access to next generation communications. One of the opportunities that Telus has taken is leveraging our customers in our communities to really partner with communities in delivering the service. Didsbury's been a loyal population for the company and ... this was an opportunity to come in here and make some pretty significant changes," said Russ Bisschop, manager of operations with Telus.

Bisschop, a former Didsbury resident, said with the help of local customers, Telus was able to contribute to the library and the development of youth.

"Supporting our youth in their education and development is a major emphasis for Telus," he said.

Inez Kosinski, manager of the library, said the library is grateful to Telus for providing the funds to go towards newer technologies that not everyone has access to. She said without the Telus donation, the library would have had to apply for grants from



Paul Frey/MVP Staff

Representatives from Telus were on hand on March 3 to present a cheque to town officials for technology upgrades at the Didsbury Municipal Library. Chelsea Donahue, regional market manager with Telus, and Russ Bisschop, manager of operations with Telus, presented a cheque for \$16,100 to Inez Kosinski, library manager and Paula Harris, chair of the library board. Mayor Rick Mousseau was also on hand for the presentation.

several sources to pay for the upgrades.

"The other thing it's done is enabled us to provide quality programming, particularly for kids. So when we have our summer reading program, we have our cyber camps, or even just after-school activities, we've hired people to run those programs through employment grants, then they have the tools to implement those programs," she said.

The library has been able to purchase several items, such as a 3-D printer and several laptop com-

puters, which library staff can also take out into the community so that people, such as seniors, who don't have access to computers can do things such as email family members. Library staff also want to purchase an electronic keyboard so that people can practise their music.

"We dreamed about getting all these things, but I wasn't sure how we were going to do that, and it would take a lot of grant applications to make that happen," Kosinski said.

## Police briefs

BY PATRICIA RILEY  
MVP Staff

### Man arrested for stolen property

A man, who recently moved to Didsbury, was arrested and charged for possession of stolen property, according to police.

"He is remanded and he won't be coming back to Didsbury," said Didsbury RCMP Sgt. Kimberley Pasloske, adding he is currently being held in custody in Calgary.

Police identified the man as Brendan Augustus.

"We are identifying the items that were seized and trying to track them back to the owners," she said, adding the stolen

items included a significant amount of tools and construction equipment.

### Police seize 24 grams of cannabis

Didsbury RCMP officers seized 24 grams of cannabis after pulling over a vehicle for a non-moving violation on March 1.

The vehicle was originally pulled over for not having a licence plate.

### Wallets missing

A wallet was stolen from a vehicle in Didsbury, or possibly in Airdrie, sometime

between Feb. 28 and March 1.

Didsbury RCMP officers could not confirm if the vehicle was locked or unlocked at the time.

Another wallet has gone missing. A man lost his wallet, possibly at or close to Hi Ho Gas in Didsbury, on March 3.

### Fence damaged

Didsbury RCMP officers also responded to a damaged fence complaint on Feb. 27 located south of Sundre, as well as mischief at an Imperial Oil site that occurred sometime between Feb. 28 and March 1.



Murray Elliott/MVP Staff

**SPECIAL OLYMPICS MEDAL** - Didsbury's Brian Tabor was awarded with a silver and gold Feb. 22, for his alpine skiing prowess in grand slalom and slalom, during the 2015 Alberta Special Olympics Winter Games held in Grande Prairie. Brian is one of more than 500 athletes who competed.

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# Cremona teacher returns from Australia



Cremona School teacher Darren Jacobson teaches a band class at the school on Feb. 5.

BY PATRICIA RILEY  
MVP Staff

A Cremona School teacher and Didsbury resident is glad to be home after teaching in Australia for a year, but says the experience is something he will never forget.

"It's good to be home. You don't realize how much you really appreciate where you work and where you live until you're gone from there for a long time," said 33-year-old Darren Jacobson.

"The people that are a part of your life that you don't get to see for a whole year really become that much more meaningful to you."

He is grateful for the opportunity he had to teach in Australia from January to December of 2014, while Australian teacher Ben Fuller took on his position in Cremona.

While Jacobson is a band teacher at Cremona School, he taught grades 7 to 10 English and music in Australia, in a small town called Clare.

"The education system over there is quite a bit different. There's a pretty large disparity between public and private education and we weren't really prepared for that," he said, add-

ing his wife Leanne and nine-year-old daughter Layla were able to join him in Australia.

"Music class is just music, you don't actually do instrumental music, so that was a bit of a stretch for me because I'm a band teacher," he said.

As well, at Cremona School, English class is divided into -1 and -2 curriculums, but in Australia there was only one English class.

"You're teaching to a wide variety of levels and abilities in one class once they get to high school so that was a bit of a challenge," he said.

All of the classes were located in different buildings so there were no indoor hallways or corridors, he added.

The school had an agricultural program and there were chickens and sheep and gardens kept on the school grounds.

The school also had its own vineyard and students grew grapes and harvested them and sent them to a winemaker.

The opportunity for Jacobson came up through a joint agreement between the governments of Australia, Canada and Alberta. The program is run through the Alberta Teachers' Association and the International Exchange

Educators Program.

Jacobson was required to fill out a profile and was notified in early 2013 that there was a match for a music teacher in Australia who was interested in coming to Canada.

As far as he knows, no other teachers from Cremona School have had the opportunity to participate in the exchange program.

"It's a pretty cool way to see the country while working at the same time," he said. "We got to see things that I never believed I would ever see in my lifetime."

He and his family were able to go shark cage diving, jump in waterfalls with crocodiles, see emus and other wildlife and snorkel the Great Barrier Reef.

"We did a lot and we travelled a lot and we saw a lot too, which is mainly the reason why we went, is to be able to experience different culture," he said.

He admitted his experience didn't teach him many things he could implement into teaching in Canada.

"Because the music program was so different it was hard to really pick up a whole lot down there that I'm doing over here," he said.

"I think I would probably say that I left more

there than I brought back."

He has been teaching for 11 years and has always had a passion for music.

"It was what I kind of wanted to do when I was in high school, because I had some pretty amazing teachers and thought it would be a pretty great career," he said.

"No day is exactly the same as the other and it's not mundane. It keeps you on your feet and you're always learning."

"You're always being challenged, if it's not by students then by other teachers and the profession itself, to always become a better person and do your job a little bit better than you did the last time."

He started his teaching career in Sylvan Lake and took the job opportunity in Cremona in 2007. He and his family live in Didsbury, where he also grew up.

His wife Leanne currently teaches English and art at Didsbury High School but took a leave of absence and was able to work towards her masters in counseling psychology while living in Australia. She was also able to fill in as a substitute teacher at a couple of different schools there.

Their daughter Layla was able to attend a grade 2-3 split class at a public school in Clare.

Jacobson said his favourite thing to do in Australia was go for morning runs and watch the sunrise.

"Running through the vineyards and running through fields with kangaroos and things was amazing. Every morning I would run through some of the vineyards

around where we lived, and you'd always see weird wildlife like snakes and kangaroos and kookaburras," he said.

"Getting to see the sunrise every morning over the vineyards and over the hills was - it was probably my favourite moment of every day."

He also enjoys motorcycling and the outdoors. He and his family spent some time travelling through Australia with a rooftop tent for their car and camped in various places.

"It was an amazing experience but it was great to come home too."

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Holiday weekend deadline is Wednesday at 4 p.m. for the following week's paper.

## New commander brings plenty of experience



*Paul Frey/MVP Staff*  
Sgt. Kimberley Pasloske brings 18 years of RCMP experience with her to Didsbury, including several years' experience working with the major crimes unit in Calgary.

BY PAUL FREY  
MVP Staff

The new RCMP detachment commander brings a wealth of experience with her to her new role.

Sgt. Kimberley Pasloske brings 18 years experience in various RCMP roles with her to Didsbury, the most recent of which was three-and-a-half years working with the homicide unit in Calgary, assisting detachments throughout southern Alberta with investigations. Pasloske grew up in the Carstairs area and attended Hugh Sutherland School before moving on to university.

She started her tenure as detachment commander Feb. 23.

Pasloske said when she graduated from university, policing wasn't her first career choice, but said once she started she found it extremely rewarding, first taking a posting on Vancouver Island at Port Alberni.

"I never really thought of (policing) as an option. But it's the best job in the world. I wake up in the morning, I never know what I'm going to do that day. I could be outside, I could be inside. I help people. That's an important thing I wanted in a career," she said.

After six years in Port

Alberni, she was transferred to Fort McMurray where she spent five years, experiencing the rapid growth of the oil hub of Alberta.

After a transfer to Calgary, where she initially worked for three-and-a-half years in the general investigation section – often investigating crimes involving children – she trans-

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Didsbury RCMP

ferred to the homicide unit, which she said was less intensive because it generally didn't involve children.

Since she left the local area to take policing work, Pasloske said it has changed a lot since she grew up here, and will slowly begin to reacquaint herself with the communities.

"I really have to get an understanding of the communities," she said, adding that she will slowly be formulating a set of priorities over the next while for the detachment area as she gets to know more about the communities that the Didsbury detachment serves.

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# Junior curling program increasing its numbers

BY PAUL FREY  
MVP Staff

The junior curling program in Didsbury has increased its participation rate dramatically over the past year and hopes to increase it even more in the future.

This year the program has increased to between 36 and 46 participants from last year's participation rate of 16 to 18 participants during the Monday and Wednesday after-school sessions.

Rob Venneman, one of the instructors of the program, said last year organizers encouraged participants to bring a friend to the program during one of the last sessions and it worked well in getting more youth out this year. He said organizers hope to increase participation even more for next season. If that happens, he said the program will likely need to add more sessions than what is currently offered.

"A lot of the parents that have curled, their kids want to try it. I'm really hoping this will expand," he said.

Participants in the program range in age from seven to 15.

"Over half of them are first-time (curlers). I've got 16 kids that have



Noel West/MVP Staff

Members of the junior curling program at the Didsbury Curling Club on Jan. 21.

been here for three years now. And there'll be eight of them that will be their last year because they're reaching that age limit now," Venneman said.

The purpose of the program is to give participants something to do after school. Participants learn all aspects of the game, from throwing stones to sweeping, calling shots and deciding on strategy.

The program also allows young curlers to learn a sport they can potentially play for many more years. Currently, the program focuses on non-competitive curling, but Venneman said he also coaches younger curlers who want to take

their game to the next level.

"It's something for them to come and try out. Hopefully they enjoy it," he said.

Emma Schultz, 12, one of the participants who has been in the program for three years, said she initially started in the program after seeing a poster around town and thought it would be fun to try.

"I just think it's a great activity and I really like it. I like having a team and skipping it," she said.

Schultz said she enjoys watching teammates throw their rocks and participating in the strategic discussions of what



Noel West/MVP Staff

to do on the ice.

"I think it's a good activity and a good team sport. You can have fun with your friends," she said.

Noah Hickok, 15, is in his second year in the program. He said he's been interested in the sport for a few years and was encouraged to try the program by friends who were already involved.

"I think it's been a pretty fun sport. After some training in the first year I've been getting better at it," he said.

Hickok said he doesn't have a favourite part of curling, but likes all aspects of the game.

"It's a really good sport for those who like more strategy sports. I think anyone can play it," he said.

Ryan MacDonald throws a rock.



Noel West/MVP Staff

Jeffrey Oldford lines up his shot.



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Kelly Delong throws a rock.



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Junior curling instructor Rob Venneman helps Drew Delong line up a shot.

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# Opinion

## Commentary

### Impaired driving laws must be firm and fair

DAN SINGLETON

A Court of Queen's Bench decision last week regarding the province's controversial impaired driving law is very bad news for motorists accused of driving drunk.

In his decision, Justice Thomas Wakeling ruled that indefinitely suspending the operating licence of drivers once they are charged with impaired driving is, in fact, constitutional.

"Alberta's response to the substantial harm persons who drink and drive pose to society is measured, and possesses features which comply with both the substantive and procedural elements of the principles of fundamental justice," said Wakeling.

The case involved four motorists who were charged with impaired driving after Alberta's drunk

driving law was updated in 2012 to include the new indefinite suspension rule.

Under that rule, a person's licence remains suspended until his or her case is concluded by the courts, either through a guilty plea or a finding of guilt or innocence at trial.

In the past, drivers charged with impaired driving could receive 24-hour licence suspensions, followed by a three-month grace period when they could drive, followed by a further 90-day suspension.

The defendants in the cases in question argued that having their licences suspended indefinitely before conviction was unfair, denying them the right to be presumed innocent until proven guilty.

In ruling against the defendants, the justice reiterated that driving is not a right, but a privilege.

He called the law a meaningful and workable deterrent for people who may be considering driv-

ing after drinking alcohol.

Not everyone is in agreement with Wakeling, arguing that punishing drivers by taking away his or her licence indefinitely pending the outcome of sometimes very long and drawn out court proceedings is unreasonable and unfair.

Shannon Prithipaul, president of the Alberta Criminal Trial Lawyers Association, reportedly opposes the legislation.

While no law-abiding Albertans would or should have any sympathy for convicted drunk drivers – in fact, those drivers should face severe and lasting judicial punishment – any law that punishes a person before he or she is convicted is perhaps another matter entirely.

Maybe once the upcoming provincial election is wrapped up, MLAs should take another look at this particular law and its consequences.



## Letter

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Barbara Elizabeth  
Didsbury

## Commentary

### Klein saved Alberta health care and education

Alberta Premier Jim Prentice and Finance Minister Robin Campbell have made it clear the province will reduce government spending in its March budget. In response, many people have alluded to the 1990s when the Ralph Klein government also cut expenses to grapple with an ongoing, deep budget deficit.

Not everyone agreed with those 1990s actions. Part of the opposition derived from understandable, if narrowly focused, self-interest. Spending cuts included rollbacks in government employee wages and in the broader public sector. So United Nurses of Alberta president Heather Smith, for example, looks on that era with disdain. In a Calgary Herald article, she claims the province is replaying the 1990s and "taking a chainsaw to health and other programs."

That sort of rhetoric was popular among a minority of Albertans in the 1990s, but there was a good rea-

son why Klein and his finance minister, Jim Dinning, acted when they did. Interest payments on provincial debt were consuming more and more tax dollars, diverting money away from the very programs Klein's critics claimed to value.

In fact, in 1992-93, interest on the provincial debt cost the province \$1.4 billion annually (or 9.9 per cent of \$14.3 billion in total revenues).

For those who care about core government programs, the math should matter. That \$1.4 billion was equivalent to 32 per cent of health-care spending, 36 per cent of money directed to basic and advanced education, and 75 per cent of the social services budget.

When the provincial government cut spending, it was indeed bitter medicine. But the prudence eventually paid off. Despite criticism, the province soon spent substantially less on debt interest, freeing up tax dollars

for other priorities, health care and education included.

By 2006-07, the last full budget year that coincides with Klein's retirement (in December 2006), interest on the debt amounted to just \$215 million (a mere six-tenths of 1 per cent of \$38 billion in total provincial revenues).

Relative to core programs, that \$215 million was just 7 per cent of the social services budget, 3 per cent of the money flowing into basic and advanced education, and just 2 per cent of the health-care budget.

The Klein-Dinning prudence also freed up fiscal room for capital expenses such as schools, hospitals and roads. Annual capital spending, as low as \$821 million in 1996-97, averaged \$2.6 billion in subsequent years until Klein retired, hitting \$4.8 billion in his final year as premier.

For the record, the actions by Klein and his colleagues were ultimately endorsed by a plurality of voters.

The 1990s debate over spending and taxing is obviously back. It appears a significant cohort of Albertans understand government spending has become unaffordable. According to a recent poll, only 15 per cent of Albertans favour tax hikes, and 43 per cent said the government should cut spending. (The rest said the province should borrow more or had no opinion.)

That 43 per cent seems to understand that the 1990s-era reductions in provincial spending were difficult, but necessary. Those actions rescued tax dollars from the debt interest payment pit. That freed up revenue for every other conceivable priority: tax relief, Heritage Fund deposits, capital projects – and, Klein critics take note – health-care and education spending.

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# Colts facing elimination after three straight losses

## League's best team trouncing hometown team

BY PAUL FREY  
MVP Staff

The Mountainview Colts will attempt to stave off elimination later today in their Heritage Junior Hockey League playoff series with the Blackfalds Wranglers after losing three straight games last week.

The game will go at 7:30 p.m. at the Didsbury Memorial Complex.

The Colts were defeated 8-1 on March 8, 6-1 on March 6 and 8-4 on March 3.

In Game 3, Bryce Marshall scored three goals and two assists for the Wranglers while Thomas Isaman stopped 26 shots in nets for the victory.

The Colts trailed in the game by a 3-1 score going into the third period. The Wranglers scored five unanswered goals in the final frame

to preserve the victory. Marshall got two of his three goals in the third period.

Drew Kocur got the Colts' lone goal on the power play in the second period.

The Wranglers, meanwhile, went three for eight with the man advantage.

The Colts opened Game 2 against the Wranglers in Didsbury well, until Jordan Jakubow scored for the Wranglers at the 2:45 mark, putting the Colts temporarily on their heels. They got renewed life midway through the period when Cole Sutherland scored on the power play to even the score. Robin Carlson restored the Wranglers one-goal lead, sending the visitors to the locker room with a lead they would never relinquish for the remainder of the game.

In the second period, the Wranglers took control of the game scoring three unanswered goals by Quinn Brown (power play), Jakubow and Cole Laing.

Trent Hernary scored a power-play goal in the third period to complete the scoring.

Much like Game 1 on March 3, Brent Youngs, the Colts assistant coach, said the Colts were done in by one period in which the Wranglers got several goals (in Game 1 it was the third period).

"We let down for one period, the second period, and they came out flying. We just weren't ready and that was the difference in the game right there," he said.

In Game 1, the Colts stayed with the Wranglers until the third period. Following 40 minutes of play in Game 1, the game was tied at 3-3. The Wranglers scored

five unanswered goals in the final 20 minutes to secure an 8-4 victory.

"We got three penalties right off the bat in the third period and they

got a couple power-play goals and then, yeah, there was no looking back from there. They got a strong team and they got a strong power

play and we have to stay out of the box to be successful in this series," Youngs said.

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Paul Frey/MVP Staff

**FUN FOR ALL** – Children and their family members were invited to participate in various songs performed by children's entertainer Mary Lambert on Feb. 28 at the multi-purpose room of the Didsbury Memorial Complex. The event was part of a series of activities at the complex celebrating 10 years of the ParentLink organization throughout Mountain View County communities.

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For questions on the proposal please contact Christofer Atchison at [catchison@didsbury.ca](mailto:catchison@didsbury.ca) or by phone at 403.335.3391 ext. 1118. A copy of the RFP is available for viewing on the Town of Didsbury website at [www.didsbury.ca](http://www.didsbury.ca).

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## Final bonspiel of year wraps up curling season

BY PAUL FREY  
MVP Staff

The final bonspiel of the year from March 6 to 8 wrapped up a more successful season for the Didsbury Curling Club.

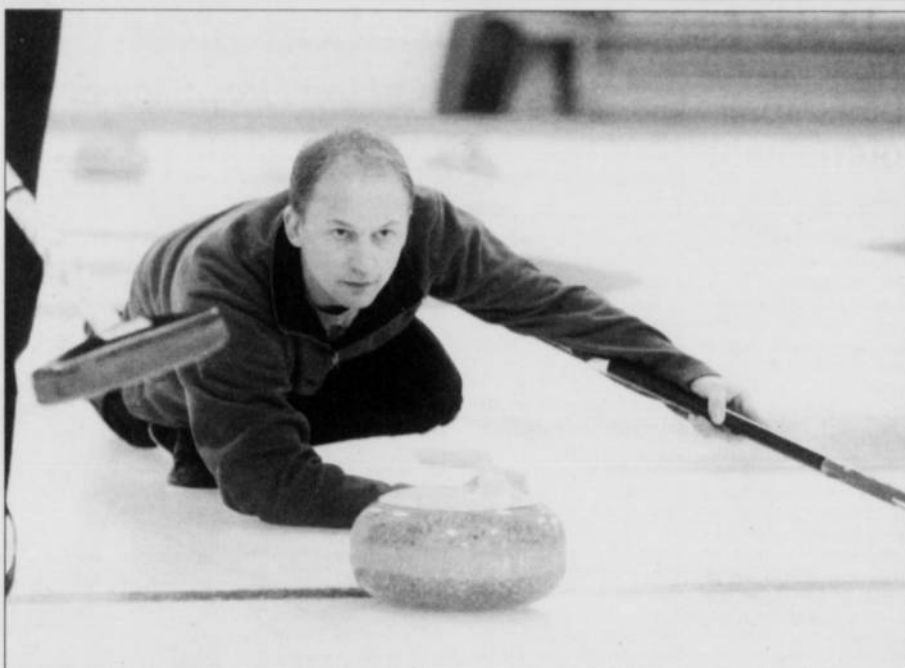
Sixteen mixed rinks took part in the event, with teams from Didsbury, Calgary and Airdrie. The event featured all ages as well, with some junior curlers also participating.

Ken Hurlbut's Airdrie rink won the A event, while the Roger Lodermeier team won the B event. The John Rusling rink captured the C event title and the Sharon Fulkurth rink won the D event.

Hurlbut said following the final that he always likes coming to Didsbury. Not only does he play with a mixed rink, but he also makes a trip each year with his Thursday night men's team as well. He's been coming to Didsbury for about the last five years.

"I love it. We come to Didsbury every year. The people treat us like we're part of the family here. That's why we always keep coming back. We know enough people up here now that we get a good rivalry going so we have some fun with it," he said.

Mitch Rauhala, who played as part of the Lodermeier rink that won the B event, said prior to the final game that although he only made it out to this bonspiel and the farmer's bonspiel this year, he was pleased with



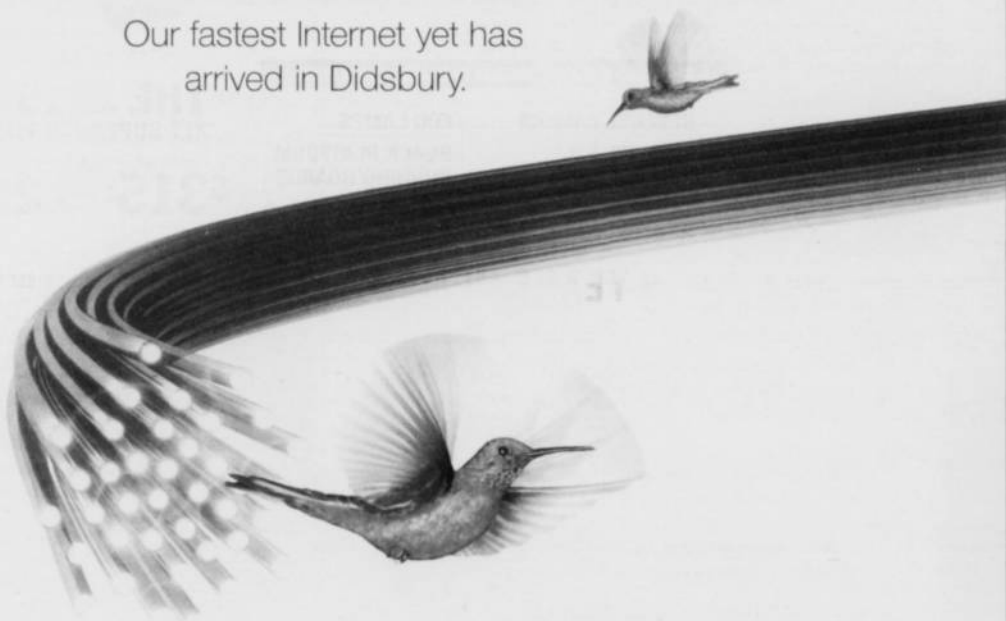
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Mitch Rauhala throws a rock during a mixed bonspiel at the Didsbury Curling Club on March 7.

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## DHS to host zone basketball tournament

**BY PAUL FREY**  
*MVP Staff*

Didsbury High School will play host to eight of the best south central zone senior girls basketball teams March 13 and 14.

The Dragons come into the tournament as the number 1 ranked team in the zone and seventh of 2A schools across the province. J.C. Charyk School, from Hanna, will also be attending the tournament. The Hanna squad is ranked second in the zone and ninth of 2A schools across the province.

Other schools that have qualified for the tournament include Oilfields High School from Black Diamond, Prairie Christian Academy from Three Hills and St. Joseph's Collegiate from Brooks. Three other spots in the tournament will be filled later this week.

The winner of the tournament will play in the provincial championship, hosted by Rundle College in Calgary on March 20 and 21.

While Henry Paulgaard, the Dragons' coach, said that in a short tournament anything can happen, the rankings show that over the course of the season both the Dragons and J.C. Charyk Hawks have played consistent basketball.

"Rankings are what they are. Anything can happen. It does show that both teams have established a level of play that has earned them (good) rankings in our area," he said.

## Correction

Incorrect information appeared in the article "Shachtay's father applauds Malley life sentence" (p.1 March 3 Review). Victoria Shachtay was Victor Shachtay's youngest daughter, not his only daughter. The Review apologizes for any inconvenience this error may have caused.

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## Curling

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the turnout for the final event of the year. He said he hopes the club keeps bringing curlers out to more events in the future. Rauhala was part of a men's league and a mixed league team this year.

The team Rauhala played with for this

bonspiel wasn't a regular foursome. He said it took a few ends for everyone to learn each other's style.

"It worked well. It took a game to figure out how each other curls, but hopefully we'll do well," he said.

Rauhala said the curling was a lot of fun, with most of the teams evenly

matched and the games coming down to the last few rocks to decide a winner.

Rauhala said he was especially pleased to see as many junior curlers play in the bonspiel as happened.

"It's good to see them out," he said.

Jenn Bonmarito, past president of the Didsbury

Curling Club, said this season was an overall success, with the club attracting more curlers and greatly expanding the junior program. She said after the difficulty the club experienced over the past two seasons, the amended agreement the club negotiated with the town for 2014-15 worked well.

"This year I feel a lot better about our situation, just because with our renegotiation of our rent for the next two years, we're just in a better situation," she said.

The club also

decreased expenses this year, which helped put the club in a much better financial position.

"I feel pretty confident that we can keep going for at least a bit longer," she said.

## DIDSBURY MINOR HOCKEY PLAYER SPOTLIGHTS

NOVICE: Gavin Konschuh

Age: 7 Position: Goalie, Defense & Forward



Gavin likes the Boston Bruins. His favorite food is subway and he likes the color blue. His favorite sports are hockey & motorcross.

NOVICE: Isaac Breslawski

Age: 7 Position: Defense



Isaac likes nature, lego & beyblades. His favorite hockey team is the Calgary Flames and he likes to eat strawberries.

NOVICE: Blake Miller

Age: 8 Position: Defense



Blake likes chicken fingers and fries. His favorite hockey player is Taylor Hall and his favorite movie is Transformers - Age of Extinction.

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## DIDSBURY MINOR HOCKEY PLAYER SPOTLIGHTS

ATOM: Nicholas Tersigni

Age: 9 Position: Centre



Nicholas's favorite sport is hockey. He likes the color orange, the song Cruise and the Calgary Flames.

ATOM: Jay Heistad

Age: 9 Position: Right Wing



Jay likes to play lots of sports. He also likes guns and hunting. His favorite NHL player is Sidney Crosby and he likes the song Thrift Shop.

ATOM: Sierra Reese

Age: 8 Position: Defense



Sierra likes to swim, run, draw & color. Her favorite sport is hockey and she likes to eat salmon. Her favorite color is purple and Frozen is her favorite movie.

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## Colts

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The Wranglers were three for five on the power play in Game 1 while they scored twice in seven man-advantage situations in Game 2 in Didsbury.

Even when the Wranglers didn't score on the power play, much of the Colts penalty killing time was spent hemmed inside their own zone.

Youngs said the Wranglers are a strong team in every facet of the game, and the Colts need to work extra hard to create and capitalize on their chances.

"They have a solid team from top to bottom. Their defence is good, goaltending is strong, their forwards skate hard. We have to get past their defence. I don't know if it's going to be dumping it in and retrieving it, but I know when we've played them five-on-five and down low in their zone, we can take control. It's just when they get the advantage on us, we're falling behind," he said.



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## 82 Valarosa Drive



Beautiful 1200 sq. ft. new home, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, open plan, plenty of kitchen cabinets, 5' shower in ensuite, treated deck, room for a garage, GST included in price.

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## 1815 - 17 Street



Great 50+ Collinge Green villa, 2 + 1 bdrms, 2 baths, well maintained with some recent upgrades, reasonable HOA fees that cover lawn care, snow removal & town bill.

**\$249,900**

## 758 Stonehaven Dr., Carstairs



Gorgeous executive style home, 1572 sq. ft., tile, hardwood, gas fireplace, vaulted ceiling, main floor laundry, quartz counter tops in gourmet kitchen, oversized double attached garage.

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## 16 Rosebud Country Estates



Beautiful acreage just outside of Didsbury, 1.41 acres, 1450 sq. ft., fully finished, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, games room, media room, in floor heat, oversized double heated garage, ready to move in.

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## 4.92 Acres in Bergen Area



1310 sq. ft., fully finished, many recent upgrades inside and out, 5 bedrooms, 2 baths, hot water heating throughout, covered wrap around deck, some outbuildings, some cross fencing.

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## 37 Sandpiper Drive



3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, hardwood, open plan, great basement setup for entertaining, fully fenced, nice subdivision near the high school.

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## 2.62 Acres of Country Living



1292 sq. ft. home built in 1996, open floor plan, gas fireplace, oak kitchen with island, double attached garage, 40' X 60' quonset, on pavement.

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## Unit A, 1322 - 20 Street



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## 1209 - 20 Street



Great potential for business use on this 0.6 acre piece, 4800 sq. ft. shop half of which is heated, lots of possibilities.

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## 10.25 Acres NW of Didsbury



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## 71 Southridge Crescent



Great home for first time buyers or revenue property, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, large back yard with deck, fully fenced.

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## 46 Stromsray Gate, Carstairs



Spacious floor plan in this 50+ condo unit, hardwood floors, coffered ceiling in living room, gas fireplace, amazing ensuite, covered rear deck with gas hookup, double garage, close to the golf course.

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## 55 Southridge Crescent



1078 sq. ft. mobile on its own lot, lots of upgrades in recent years, metal roof, 3 bedrooms, fenced back yard, great starter or revenue home.

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## 105 Morris Place



Open floor plan, 1382 sq. ft., 2 + 2 bedrooms, 3 full baths, hardwood, tile, gas fireplace, west facing deck with open view, great location.

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